

# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 26th NOVEMBER 2014

PRESENT: Councillor R Kingstone (Chair), Councillors M Gant, J Chesworth, M Clarke, S Claymore, T Clements, D Cook, C Cooke, S Doyle, J Faulkner, J Goodall, M Greatorex, G Hirons, A James, J Jenkins, A Lunn, T Madge, M McDermid, K Norchi, J Oates, M Oates, S Peaple, T Peaple, R Pritchard, E Rowe, P Seekings, P Standen and M Thurgood

The following officers were present: Anthony E Goodwin (Chief Executive), Ryan Keyte (Senior Legal Officer) and Lara Allman (Democratic & Election Services Officer)

## 34 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Couchman and D Foster.

### 35 TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> October were approved and signed as a correct record.

(Moved by Councillor D Cook and seconded by Councillor S Peaple)

#### 36 TO RECEIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR, LEADER, MEMBERS OF THE CABINET OR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

### Announcement by Councillor S Peaple

I understand at the Committee Meeting the other night it was mentioned that Lara will be leaving the authority. On behalf of the Members of the Labour Group, and I'm sure many other Councillors, I'd like to say that we will be missing her services, she has done a wonderful job, helped so many of us and I'd just like to say thank you.

### Announcement by Councillor D Cook

I echo that.

# 37 STATE OF TAMWORTH DEBATE

Councillor S Peaple moved a motion in terms of Rule 4.13(n) to amend Rule 4.14.4 that the introductions to each section are limited to 5 minutes, this was seconded by Councillor D Cook.

The motion was carried.

Councillor D Cook introduced the Tamworth Listens report.

Councillor C Cooke moved a motion in terms of Rule 4.13 (d) and this was seconded by Councillor D Cook:

"This Council refers to the appropriate scrutiny committee for assessment the item of Tamworth's Housing Needs Figures for the Local Plan Period 2006-2031."

The motion was carried.

Councillor J Goodall moved a motion to thank Claire Keeling (Housing Strategy Officer), Councillor M Greatorex and all the people involved in bringing the gas project to Belgrave, this was seconded by Councillor R Pritchard.

The motion was carried.

Following the debate the following motions were approved

#### **RESOLVED:** That:

- 1. the Scrutiny Committees meet to discuss the report before this Council and decide if any issues are calling out for review by scrutiny given that statistics within the report, and;
- 2. the Leader and the CEO meet to create a report to Cabinet defining where we need to take this Council, what sort of Council do we need to be going forward to ensure the Vulnerable are the priority, and share it with all Councillors.

(Moved by Councillor D Cook and seconded by Councillor S Peaple)

The Mayor